

## State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

## **GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION**

## **Emergency Medical Services Week**

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness and injury; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services teams consist of emergency medical physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, firefighters, educators, administrators and others; and

WHEREAS, the people of Rhode Island benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained professionals; and

**WHEREAS**, the designation of Emergency Medical Services Week will serve to recognize the value and accomplishments of emergency medical services providers as a vital public service for the community; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee,** Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim May 15-21, 2011 Emergency Medical Services Week in Rhode Island and encourage all of its citizens to join in recognizing the importance of the services provided by emergency medical personal.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this /5<sup>77</sup> day of May, 2011

Lincoln D. Chafee Governor

A. Ralph Mollis Secretary of State